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Dear Mr. Weisberg —

Many thanks for a letter which was even more interesting than is usual.

You forgot to answer my question about which "De Mohrenschildt picture" you wanted to find the source in, but in any case, I have checked the files and have found only one photograph of him — approximately 5×7 and an AP Wirephoto — to my best knowledge it was sent over AP about November 23, 1964, one year after the assassination. The photo in the file has been cropped down, and the exact date is missing. It carried a caption about his having been aquainted with Jaqueline Kennedy's family, and also with the Oswalds. If you want me to dig this out and mail it to you, I'd be glad to, but have not done so since you told me not to. I only make a repeat offer in case you are not sure whether this is actually the picture you are interested in — I did not intend to

just no comparison. I suppose the only way they can attack your book is to ignore it with a passing mention and a shrug. They dare not try to begin to consider it's contents. I don't know how to explain it, but I feel affronted because they won't publish your book.

One thing only bothers me that I don't think you covered. The minute I read — was it still in '63? — that Marina Oswald had accused her husband of the shooting at Walker, I had to chuckle sadly and wonder if next she would accuse him of being in on the Lincoln killing as well. Every day it seemed there was something "new" against him — almost too obvious a "frame". Yet, I don't think that in your book you referred to the note Oswald left his wife, and which (I believe) is one of the first exhibits in the Supplementary Volumes. This makes no reference to Walker, but is reprinted in the Report at page 183. This note is indicative that he expected to be arrested, to disappear, or to die. And, on the surface, the Report does seem

belabor the point once you told me specifically not to mail it to you. I trust you do understand that my offer did not indicate dishonesty — I would only have loaned you the pictures. Better to be put to use than to moulder in the file. As soon as you sent them back — they'd have gone back to the file, of course.

Sorry you didn't have time to list the "mortality victims" — I'm really interested —— but many thanks for your intention of sending me Penn Jones, Jr.'s book. I didn't even know of it's existence.

My tape recorder does not have the 1 7/8 speed, but it does have the 3 3/4. If you are actually willing to duplicate for me, I'll send down the tape at your say-so. I have a lot of tape from years ago. I racked my brain trying to think of how to watch you on television on Channel 5 on November 12 — and could only think of one possibility. A former co-worker has a special arial, so I wrote him a four-page letter telling him about you, your book, and about Mark

Lane — trying to "sell" him on watching the program and inviting me. He phoned yesterday and said "no". So, I will not be able to see it, much to my genuine regret. There is no other way for me to see it.

Have seen several articles in the past few days which shrug off the books by you, Lane, and Epstein as the work of "unbelievers" not to be taken seriously. All I can say is that these writers must not have read any of the books, including the Warren Report, itself. One such article, however, backed itself up with a strong implication — that Epstein didn't mean to cause disbelief, and is sorry if he's done so! And his prime source of quotations — Liebeler — is supposed to be writing a book to restore confidence in the Warren Report. Strange, after the point-by-point attacks on it that he is supposed to have submitted to the Commission, itself, while the Report was being written! I have not read Lane's book, or Popkins book, but I have read yours, Epstein's, and Buchanan's, and of these, yours is so far more a "block-buster" that there is

Sorry to have rambled in this letter. Have just gotten word that Walter Cronkite featured some news about the Ramparts and the various witnesses who have died - but, it was too late for me to hear it. Just my luck! I am really quite curious about this matter. Maybe you will have more time next letter.

You may now number me as one of the purchasers of "Whitewash"! Since getting a job, I do not make much money, but I bought a copy to give to a friend at Christmas. They are so scarce, I thought I better get a copy while they're to be found! I got a banged-up copy — full price - $5.00 (with tax) at Marlboro Book Stores. They only had two copies, and the other one was in even worse shape than the one I bought. That's the disadvantage of not being in hard cover. A bad selling feature.

Best wishes to your wife and yourself. I look forward to hearing from you — Yours — JACK

(at least to my unskilled reasoning) to have been written at about the same time that Walker was shot at. I would not take Marina's word for today's date, but what about this note?

— Oh, yes, I forgot to mention, when I was telling you about the criticisms of your book and the others — one article said that the "FBI" has now admitted to having made "mistakes" in it's Reports, and it is inferred that this clears up all question of the Autopsy (the number of bullets and where they exited, etc.) What do you think of those apples? It would seem to me that recollections after the fact would be much more prone to error than examinations made at the moment by trained examiners! Yet, now we are asked to believe the opposite!

When you told me about the "Cuban refugee involvement", a light-bulb suddenly lit up in my mind! Even in the early book by Buchanon, it was pointed out that

at the very time of the assassination, Kennedy was unofficially trying to settle the Cuban crisis by means of the French journalist, Jean Daniel's acting as a sort of go-between for both Castro and the President. Naturally, this would be a threat for anti-Castroites! And etc., and etc. You see what I mean about my not having even a portion of your powers of detection! I have many facts, but it takes you to light the way so I can put them together in an orderly fashion! I'm afraid the Warren Commission shared my problem in this respect!

I may take advantage of the Pennsylvania Railroad's special week-end discount rates and go to Washington some week-end soon. [redacted] I'd like to see Kennedy's new gravesite. If I go it will be a simple walking-tour. I don't have a car — in fact, I can't drive — otherwise I'd invite myself to shake your hand in person. But, not having a car, that is impossible — you can be thankful for that! Anyway, I never know which Saturdays I have to work. (Some weeks I get off a different day).

I would be honored to try to assist if you debate Judge Fein in Philadelphia, but I make no claim that I would not be a disappointment to you. I, too, have been reading a great deal — this tends to confuse one book source with another, and etc. But, you have a damned good index in "Whitewash", so I don't think I'd have too much trouble trying to find what you wanted. You can count on my being willing, Mr. Weisberg — I just hope you won't find me unable. I've heard you twice — and you haven't needed any assistance yet! In fact, on the Burke show, you made complete asses out of those two lawyers who had hoped to do same to you. And, they were using the Report and "Whitewash", while most of the time you were using only your memory! It would, therefore, be awfully presumptuous of me to think I could be of much assistance to you.